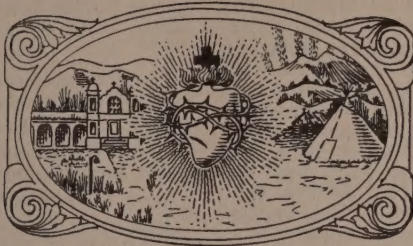


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## BROPHY COLLEGE

### Tre Ore

The Tre Ore was given by Fr. Vaughan. Fr. Fox, who had prepared it, took sick before Holy Week.

### Washington Honored

The guest of honor at the civic celebration of George Washington's birthday, under the auspices of the Brophy Men's Association, was Rev. Victor Stoner, editor of the Arizona Catholic Herald, and a grand nephew of George Washington in the sixth generation. At the age of 22 he was principal of Miami (Ariz.) High School. He is a convert.

### Constitution Contest

Tom Moore, a Chinese, in 4th high, won first place in the Brophy elimination contest for the high school oratorical competition on the U. S. Constitution. The newspaper critic declared that the boys far surpassed the exhibition of the local public high school.

### Brophy Mothers

The most successful social function of the season was the benefit spring fete held at the school by the Brophy Mothers, with 700 people present.

### School Play

Two preliminary performances of the play "What Is It?" were given to the Phoenix Indian School and St. John's Mission Indian School.

### "The Sunshine School"

A liberally illustrated pamphlet has been prepared advertising Brophy, "The Sunshine School." Fr. Vaughan has gone East with several hundred

feet of movies provided by the Chamber of Commerce to advertise Phoenix and Brophy. With the drop in Arizona copper from 32 cents to 5½ cents, a paying student body must be recruited elsewhere.

### Statistics

Arizona K. of C. finished this year's series of retreats on April 17. The record is as follows: Phoenix, 200 men; Nogales (two weeks) 80 men, 250 women; Tucson, 300 men, 400 women, (the women's week was given by Fr. Carroll); Prescott, 300 mixed congregation; Flagstaff, 350 mixed; Yuma, 300 mixed. Where the retreats were exclusively for men, more men were present.

### Kino Missions

In Nogales Fr. Vaughan was the guest of honor for an excursion to the mission built by Fr. Kino in Old Mexico. The first mission visited, San Gabriel de Guevavi, was on the American side; on the Mexican side the following were visited: San Luis, San Lazaro, San Diego de Cocóspora, and San Jose de Imuris. San Lazaro is completely obliterated; the ruins of Guevavi stand to the height of twenty feet; San Luis, which was very extensive, is a heap of adobe; the same may be said of San Jose.

The Cocóspora Mission, though fast being dug into ruins by treasure hunters, still stands to its original height, majestically crowning a high hill. From the standpoint of architecture it is utterly different from any California Mission, and far more elaborate. The side walls and ceiling are all arched, with some twenty niches for tiny statues. Part of the

side walls have been undermined, the arched ceiling is falling in, the gallery has been partly pulled down, and even the altar has not been spared by vandal hands. But the most terrible desecration has taken place in the floor, where the earth has been upturned to a depth of twenty feet, and the bones of the dead scattered about. A Jesuit could only stand in awe, and wonder how many of those bones had once been covered by a Jesuit cassock. In the States this Mission would be guarded as a precious gem, even by non-Catholics; in Mexico it is just one more bit of plunder for the treasure hunters. The Jesuits supposedly were rich and on their sudden expulsion, buried their treasures.

#### Indecent Play Opposed

Prominent citizens of Phoenix, with whom Fr. Vaughan co-operated, failed in an attempt to stop the production of an allegedly obscene play called "Crazy Quilt." However, a considerable modification was obtained. The Mayor of Minneapolis, Minn., later excluded the play from his city, and replied cordially to Fr. Vaughan's congratulations.

#### Bolton Speaks

Dr. Herbert Bolton addressed the Brophy Men's Association on Father Kino, S. J. Later he spoke at Tempe with evident affection for his theme. He stressed the large number of Jesuits who have labored in the southwest.

Dr. Bolton insists that the statue to Father Kino should be the "Padre on Horseback."

#### Fr. Edward Menager

Fr. Provincial paid a visit to Fr. Edw. Menager in Tucson. While Fr. Menager is still very ill, he has improved by his stay in the Sisters' Hospital.

### HOLLYWOOD

#### Summer Retreats

There will be ten summer retreats, beginning June 23 and ending August 28. They will be held at Del Rey. Among those to give retreats are Fathers Francis O'Boyle of St. Louis, Joseph Stack, Joseph Sullivan, Edward J. Whelan, and John McCummiskey. The committee was enthusiastic over the idea.

#### Retreat Work

The Passionists opened their new retreat house at Sierra Madre on May 1st, and plan to have retreats for groups of 30.

Our own site was leveled off with a steam shovel, which, when taken away on April 15, had removed 7000 cubic yards of earth. Mr. Miller has been awarded the contract for the buildings and should start in the middle of May, when the month of delay required by the law for bonding companies will have expired.

#### Tre Ore

Fr. McCummiskey was listened to by 2500 during his Tre Ore.

#### Easter

Over 8600 attended the eight Masses on Easter Sunday.

#### Ave atque Vale

In Easter Week the different organizations of the parish tendered a farewell to Fr. Ward and extended a welcome to the new paster, Fr. McCoy.

#### Fr. Sullivan

Fr. Sullivan has been attached to Hollywood to work in the interests of Loyola High and Loyola U. He preached a triduum in preparation for Mother's Day.

### LOYOLA UNIVERSITY

#### Loyola Guild

The tea held in the University Auditorium on St. Patrick's Day was a great success socially and financially. Many new friends were made for the University and \$300 was turned in for the Loyola Guild scholarship.

#### Reception

On April 13th the Gold Cross Mothers, an organization of the mothers of priests and religious founded by Rev. Fr. Maher, tendered him a reception in the home of Mrs. Van der Ahe. They presented him with a beautiful lace surplice.

#### The Band

On April 17th the band played by request on one of the boat trips to Catalina Island. Earlier, they gave a two hour concert at Riverside. Later, they will play on a trip to Ensenada.

#### Dinner

Mr. Joseph Scott gave a dinner in honor of Rev. Fr. Provincial at the California Club on March 16th. Dr. Moore, Provost of the University of California at Los Angeles, Dr. Milligan, President of the California Institute of Technology, and several other prominent educators and men of influence were present.

#### Recognition

Dean Frederick Bolton sent the following letter: Dear Father Duce:



This is to confirm my wire announcing that on April 7th Loyola University was fully accredited by the Northwest Association of Secondary and Higher Schools. I assure you that I am much gratified and believe that the relationship will prove mutually advantageous to your institution and the Northwest Association. If I can be of any service at any time, please command me. Fraternally yours, Frederick E. Bolton.

On April 16th a letter was received from the Director of the American Council on Education inviting the University to become a member. It is said that by joining the A. C. E., admission to the American Association of Colleges would follow as a matter of course.

### Conference

The Catholic Conference on Industrial Problems held its annual meetings in Los Angeles in April. A special table was reserved for the Loyola faculty at the last conference. The University has offered its services to aid in the establishment of study clubs to make the great encyclicals on labor more widely understood.

### Southwest Association

The Association of Colleges and Universities of the Pacific Southwest held its spring meeting at the University of California at Los Angeles on April 16th. The University was represented by Frs. Duce and McLaughlin, and by two members of the lay faculty.

### Money Separator

Fr. Riordan has invented a very simple but efficient money separator. It is the result of his experience as a pastor at Klamath Falls, when he had the tedious task of sorting and counting the collection. If operated carefully, it completely sorts the money; if operated rapidly, it allows a few coins to pass by, but so few that it is easy to pick them out when the counting begins.

### Page from the Past

Father Riordan has gathered the following interesting figures from the Catholic Directory for 1880. In the numbers of students in Catholic Institutions in those days, California stands with the leaders of the procession.

St. Ignatius, San Francisco.....	600
St. Louis .....	327
St. Xavier's, Cincinnati .....	270
Santa Clara .....	250
St. Mary's, San Francisco.....	250
Boston College .....	237

Georgetown (founded 1789) .....	176
St. Ignatius, Chicago .....	170
Canisius .....	151
St. Joseph's, Philadelphia .....	115
Loyola, Baltimore .....	100
St. Vincent's, Los Angeles.....	70
Holy Cross .....	40

Of course St. Ignatius had many elementary pupils, but all colleges had high school students. The numbers for Notre Dame are not given, but it received pupils as young as five years in those days.

## LOYOLA HIGH

### Gaudiosa

On March 17th, the Community were present at Del Rey at a dinner in honor of the new Provincial.

### Organizations

On March 18th a reception into the Sodality took place, at which Father Provincial spoke. This second reception of the year brings the total in the Sodality to 245. Two spiritual organizations were started this year: The Knights of the Blessed Sacrament with a membership of 173, and the Society for the Propagation of the Faith with 95 members. The lenten collection among the boys amounted to \$104.00.

### Profession

Mr. Allen Lynch came from San Francisco to be present at his sister's profession as a Sister of St. Joseph on March 19th.

### R. O. T. C.

On April 12th the R. O. T. C. unit held a review in Fr. Provincial's honor.

### Guild Speakers

At the April meeting of the Henry Welch Guild, the principal speakers were Sister Miriam Therese, Professor of Political Economy at Marylhurst College, Oregon; Fr. Duce and Fr. Jos. Sullivan.

### Postulant

April 11th, Geo. Bocklet, a brother postulant arrived.

### Baseball

A baseball banquet was held April 20th for the team which had made a record of winning eight games straight.

### The Annual

In April four classes were awarded the holiday promised each class bringing in \$100 worth of advertisements.

### Religion

Each day in May, the Seniors give a May talk in the chapel.

### Fr. Drathman

Owing to illness, Fr. Drathman spent several weeks in the hospital. He is now at Santa Barbara, resting for the balance of the school year.

### Angle Trisected

Father Drathman carefully checked up the theorem, solution, and proof, with which Father Julius J. Gliebe, O. F. M., has trisected any given angle. The method applies to all sorts of acute and obtuse angles. For this checking, Fr. Drathman used large paper 3 x 4 feet, a steel straight-edge, beam compass, high power magnifying glass to mark with a needle the points of intersection of fine lines made with a very sharply pointed hard pencil. "If there were a flaw in the method, it would have been revealed by the results. . . But each time the trisection came out perfectly to a dot. And when I say dot, I mean dot, one made with a sharp needle point."

The solution is clear and can be understood by the student of Plane Geometry, since the construction and proof are entirely geometric. The figure at first glance seems complicated because Father Gliebe not only gets one-third of the angle, but also divides the angle into three equal parts.

The booklet has 20 pages, and sells for fifty cents. "Trisecting an Angle" by a Franciscan Friar. (St. Boniface Friary, 133 Golden Gate Ave., San Francisco). The small price is "a mite that will help the thousands who come to the doors of the Friary for food, clothing and shelter, and help, too, to tide them over until such time when happily the good things of life shall have been better and more equitably distributed as between the very rich and the very poor."

The booklet possesses literary value. Father Gliebe is chaplain at St. Joseph's Hospital, San Francisco. A priest and a Californian has the honor of giving the solution to an age old problem in geometry that has baffled mathematicians for 3000 years. He has done this in spite of Klein's proof of the impossibility of the solution by Plane Geometry.

## LOS GATOS

### Minister

In the absence of Fr. Deeney, Fr. Chas. Walsh is acting as Minister.

### Operation

Bro. Kulwicz was operated on, April 25, for adhesions. He was in San Francisco.

### Bro. Bourret

During his stay at Santa Barbara, Bro. Bourret gained 24 pounds.

### Fr. Rector

Fr. Rector attended the Provincial Consultation in Los Angeles.

## SANTA BARBARA

### Hymn Contest

The Miraculous Medal Magazine, Germantown, Pa., conducted a Hymn Contest from February to the end of April. The music had to be original, not necessarily the words. Father De Rop sent a hymn in honor of the Blessed Mother with both music and words written by himself.

The hymn has been sung at Santa Barbara and elsewhere; if it does not win one of six cash prizes, it may be bought for \$25.00.

### New Pamphlet

The Jesuit Mission Press has published a pamphlet (price five cents) by Father De Rop. "The Story Wonderful" is the title. It is indeed a wonderful story, beautifully told. It deals with an unusual instance of the protection extended by the Blessed Mother towards her clients. It is a very appropriate addition to the book rack for the month of May.

### Father Nestor

Fr. Nestor was anointed at the hospital on March 21; he sent his grateful thanks to Fr. Provincial and Fr. Grisez for their many kindnesses. Since then he has improved quite a bit.

## SANTA CLARA UNIVERSITY

### Recognition

The University has received full recognition in the Northwest Educational Association.

### Renovation

Fr. James Malone of Bellarmine gave the renovation triduum for the Patronage.

### Bro. Gosselin

Bro. Gosselin, for years at the University, has been transferred to the Novitiate, and has been replaced by Bro. Fred Feltes.

### Archbishop Mitty

Fr. Rector and other members of the community were present at the reception given Archbishop Mitty at Menlo Park, and at the installation in the Cathedral.

### James E. Walsh

Fr. Rector attended the funeral of



James E. Walsh, a generous benefactor of the University.

### **Shrine**

On the Patronage the annual pilgrimage to St. Joseph's shrine took place. Fr. Gleeson spoke on the occasion and blessed the new shrine.

### **Father Woods**

Father Woods was taken ill on April 1st and sent to the Sanitarium by Dr. Gerlach. Late on April 2nd, it was almost midnight when the doctors stopped, they operated on him for an obstruction in the intestines. After a few weeks the patient had recuperated sufficiently for the second operation, which, however, was not performed.

### **Father Shipsey**

Father Shipsey will teach at Gonzaga Summer School this year.

### **Ancient Breviaries**

A set of ancient breviaries were presented to Santa Clara. They were once the possession of a Crown Prince.

### **Alumni Reception**

Santa Clara Alumni extended a reception to Father Provincial at the St. Francis, San Francisco, on the evening of April 4th. A distinguished gathering was present, including Santa Clara Alumni, Bishop Armstrong, Dr. Toner representing the Governor, and Mayor Rossi.

## **ST. CLARE'S**

### **Fr. M. Falvey**

Fr. Falvey left St. Clare's on the evening of Easter Sunday so as to reach Medford, Ore., in time for a triduum at the Convent at the request of the Tertian Master.

### **First Communion**

The Holy Family Sisters' first communicants received April 17. The minims made their first communion on May 1st.

### **Portuguese Mission**

The Portuguese Mission preached by Father Porto in March was the biggest yet. A capacity crowd numbered over 1000. The confessions and communions resembled Easter or Christmas. The good done extended

to many beyond the Portuguese themselves.

### **Statue of St. Joseph**

Fr. Culligan blessed a statue of St. Joseph for the Sisters of Notre Dame at Santa Clara. A new shrine has been built in their garden, for which a friend gave the statue. Mother Provincial of the Notre Dames, and local Superiors and many Sisters were present, besides the pupils and invited guests.

## **SAN FRANCISCO**

## **UNIVERSITY**

### **"Santa Barbara Mission"**

Father James Colligan has published a book on Mission Santa Barbara in which are given briefly, and pleasingly, the essential details of the founding and development of Santa Barbara Missions. The story includes the coming of the Sisters and of our Fathers to Santa Barbara. There is a picture and a description of our new church.

### **"Paths of Peace"**

Father Cody's latest book "Paths of Peace" is a collection of very interesting conferences given by him to the Sisters.

### **Alumni Luncheon**

On March 29th, the Alumni Association, University of San Francisco, gave Father Provincial a complimentary luncheon. Mr. Edward F. O'Day, a fellow classman who graduated with Father Provincial in 1900, was the chairman. Father Woods reports that Father Provincial gave a most excellent speech.

### **Saint Columban's**

The Oakland Mission, given by Fr. James King, was a fair success, and would have been more of a success, if it had been well advertised. There were at least 500 confessions, quite a few of which were of 10 and 15 years.

### **Folsom**

Father Cronin was so satisfied with the Mission given at his church that he wants another in 1933.

### **Students' Spiritual Council**

In March, seventeen catholic high schools of the Bay Region were represented at an officers' meeting at St. Ignatius High. They considered among other matters the coming Bay Region Sodality Convention.

## SAN JOSE

### BELLARMINE PREP

#### Forensic Activity

Father James Malone incited his sodalists to enter Sodality Oratorical Contest. The following are other noteworthy events. The Gold Medal Debate on the question: Resolved, that Congress should establish a Department of Education with a Secretary in the Cabinet. Then a private and a public try-out for the candidates in the National Oratorical Contest on the Constitution of the United States. The two winners in the latter try-out took first and third places in the district finals against Alameda and Tracy High. Meantime our Senior Debaters defeated San Jose High in the Peninsula Debating League. An interesting point connected with this is that San Jose High officials tried to block the meeting with Bellarmine when the schedule was being drawn up by the league, an echo of the football trouble last fall.

#### Play

"Three Live Ghosts" is the title of the annual play.

#### Decoration

Joe Alba of Spokane fame has been doing several artistic "jobs" since March 15. The neat sacristy in the domestic chapel and his finishing touches on Our Lady's Shrine of Grace are a credit to his skill and taste.

#### Lecture

April 19, Mr. John Preston gave Bellarmine Guild a very interesting lecture on "The Sun Spot Theory."

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## HOLY FAMILY

### Italian Missions

The second series of Italian Missions began with Lent, and were given by both Fr. Tranchese and Fr. Cavallanti in San Francisco, Santa Clara, Fresno, Dunsmuir, Stockton, Oakland, Los Banos, Gonzales, Bakersfield, Martinez.

#### Problem

Italian Missions are a complicated problem, for it is necessary to obtain an audience, and to know what to tell the audience once you have succeeded in getting one.

### How Get Audience?

Most pastors say: "We have announced the Mission for three weeks at every Mass." This means nothing. As a rule, Italians do not attend Mass; and those who do, are not interested in the Mission. As a result the attendance on the first night is very discouraging. The first sermon is preached, but that is not enough to draw a crowd.

I insist on instruction to the children, telling them stories, teaching them to sing, entertaining them. They go home, tell their parents, and the audience increases.

At one place the children were restless and inattentive; neither songs nor stories held them. I had noticed some pussy willow shrubs in the yard where they had been playing. Fr. Perron had once shown me some tricks with the seeds of this plant. If the fluffy seed is stuck on a card, and a few lines are drawn, it gives the appearance of a cat. This won the day. I drew cats, the children were interested and behaved for sake of getting one of the cats. They told their parents, and the church was filled to capacity to hear the "clever" priest.

Ordinarily talks in the afternoon to the children of the Italians who are very fond of their children, bring the parents in the evening. "We came," said one mother, "because we understand that there was a real priest who takes care of the children."

Then the songs. In one place where I could get no more than 40 people, they increased to over 200, because the children were going to sing. Sing they did, but most outrageously. Still it drew the crowd which is what I wanted.

#### What to Say

The first night I am invariably at a loss. When I can, I try to find out what part of Italy they come from. Otherwise I start with general topics, touching on literature, history, and watching what appeals to them. Then I follow that line.

I never scold, nor reproach them for their lack of religion. That is a very grave mistake. In a certain place, the pastor told me that the last mission had been a total failure; after two days the missionary gave up and went away. The pastor also thought it useless and believed that nothing could be done with the Italians. He had not given out the notices I had sent, he was even afraid to go amongst the Italians.

I asked for some one to show me



around, and finally got an old man to go. In some places we were received with contempt, in some with indifference, but in most with kindness. I talked of their home town, their business, the crops but never mentioned the mission. I gave simple remedies to the sick. Then they asked me what I was doing there, I told them and they came to the church.

In the church I told them that I had come to help them, not to get money. Money must not be talked of in an Italian Mission. Where the pastor insists on a daily collection, the results are poor. As a rule I tell the people from the start that there will be no evening collections, but if they can make an offering at the end, it will be gratefully received and devoted to the education of young students. I was never disappointed, even those who came only once, invariably returned for the collection night and gave generously.

Often the pastors deduct their running expenses from that collection (one charged me for lighting and heating the church, for candles, for my board and lodging, etc.). But even so, at the end of every mission we part very good friends both with the pastor and the people.

I have found that funerals are a great advertising means for a mission. When I can be present at a funeral during the mission, I deem myself lucky. I preach to the people, try to strike the right chord, and wind up by inviting them to the mission.

### Kindness Needed

Italians are intelligent, thrifty, moral, honest. They love their religion. It is all a question of knowing how to take them.

In many places they have the idea that they are not wanted in the local church. In other places they dislike the pastor because he scolded them at a funeral or baptism. They are very sensitive, and appreciate any courtesy and kindness, as much as they resent any slighting remark.

The language is no real difficulty. If they find a man full of disinterested zeal and christian charity, they are easily managed.

"The Italians do not give freely to the Church." Every one knows how hard they have worked for the little they have. When they were poor they were neglected. Why should they give now? One of them told me that some twenty-five years ago, he had a family to support and was looking for work. He had to travel by night, in

the daytime children threw stones at him and called him "Dago." He had no friends then. Now he is well-to-do, but he has not forgotten his hardships and sufferings. If there had been a priest to sympathize with him, direct him, befriend him, he would be different now.

### Grave Situation

The situation is much graver than it may seem. To give an example. In the Archdiocese of San Francisco there are 150,000 Italians; may be more. Perhaps 12% or 15% go to Church. And about 12 priests are looking after them. Cannot the younger generation go to the English speaking Churches? But they will not, because they have not been trained by the example of their elders.

The missionary work which has been done has produced good results, but unless it is cared for, it will not last any great length of time.

## ST. JOSEPH'S

### Tre Ore

The Church was packed for the Three Hours preached by Father Laherty.

### Easter Communions

There were large crowds at nearly all the Masses, and 1300 received Communion on Easter Sunday.

### Baptismal Records

Some time ago, Father John Martin, M. M., of Maryknoll College, Mountain View, went over the baptismal records of the mission church at San Juan Bautista. He found that some of the baptisms in 1855 were administered by Fathers then resident at St. Joseph's, San Jose, or at Santa Clara. The names are those of Father Bixio and Father De Vos. The first was stationed in San Jose, the other in Santa Clara; neither was stationed at San Juan, but went there only once in a while.

### Fr. D. J. Kavanagh

Fr. D. J. Kavanagh has returned from the East where he went for medical treatment. He is stationed at St. Joseph's, San Jose.

### Brother Danahy

Brother Danahy has not been well for a couple of months. He spent Easter Week in the O'Connor Sanatorium. Later he went to St. Mary's Hospital, San Francisco.

### Special Triduum

To secure the aid of St. Joseph in the crucial financial crisis through which the Province is passing, the Provincial ordered a special triduum in all our houses preparatory to the Feast of the Patronage, and an act of consecration to St. Joseph on the feast itself.

### Mass Stipends

The Province is in urgent need of Mass stipends not only for our theologians and Tertians, but also for our colleges. Loyola U., Loyola High, Santa Clara U., Bellarmine Prep, and the Novitiate are all in need of Mass intentions.

Opportunity should be taken to urge our friends to make sacrifices so as to have Masses said which will gain them favors, and which will support Ours.

### New Cemetery Plot

For some time it has been seriously thought of opening the next cemetery plot at Los Gatos in order to give Ours the benefit of the prayers of the members of the Novitiate Community. But the great difficulty of finding a level and convenient spot in that hilly region, and other considerations caused the idea to be abandoned.

The setting aside of this plan was materially facilitated by a very generous gift to the Province of a new plot in the Santa Clara cemetery. The plot is located to the west of the mausoleum, between that building and the road.

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## SAN LUIS OBISPO

### Fine Attendance

The mission was given by Father Gerald Flynn at San Luis Obispo, March 6 to March 13. The program was printed in the center of the front page of the daily paper in spite of the fact that the paper ignored the pastor's regular notices. The editor had been personally interviewed by the Father giving the mission.

Attendance at three previous missions had been so poor that one missionary quit after three days. The pastor, Father Buckley, was discouraged for the church was only half filled on the former occasions. The mission was dedicated to the Sacred Heart, and the promise made about touching the hearts of sinners was fulfilled. After the first night the

church was packed with people standing for lack of room. They began at once to go to Confession and Communion. The pastor and his assistants were delighted, and gave every cooperation towards the success of the mission.

### Exercises

There was an instruction at 6:30 and 8:00 Masses. A special talk each day from 11:00 to 12:00 to the High School. The pupils wrote a beautiful letter of gratitude and sent a generous Spiritual Bouquet. There was a Children's Mission in the afternoon. The big sermons were in the evening.

### Special Features

On Thursday evening there was the renewal of Baptismal Vows. The church was agleam with candles held by each of the renovants.

On Friday evening all the men were seated together in one portion of the church, and there each man holding a candle, they renewed the Holy Name Pledge, which they boomed out twice.

On Saturday evening, the Holy Hour so captured all that the pastor announced that he would keep it up in the future.

On Sunday afternoon, there was a blessing for the babies and their parents. Each one received a special blessing and a beautiful scapular medal. The talk was on "Home."

The mission was closed with a solemn procession with the Blessed Sacrament around the Mission grounds and church. Over a thousand carried candles in this procession. The garden was jammed, but the ushers handled things superbly. The missionary went from group to group to help in the singing. (This was also done every night in the church to work up the singing before and after Benediction. The missionary walked up and down the aisle). The pastor was so enthusiastic that he gave a fifteen minute fervorino in praise of the mission.

### Confessions

There were many who had been twenty and thirty, and more years away. You do not need grey hairs to give a mission. The oldest and youngest, the toughest and most frail come with worries and sorrows for advice and consolation.



## SAWTELLE

### Soldiers' Mission

Sermons were preached twice in the morning, and once in the evening. Also the soldiers were visited in the huge hospital and in the T. B. annex. A thousand men, Catholics and Non-Catholics were interviewed. Only two Catholics held out. Masons and Odd Fellows were brought back to the faith. About seven want to be instructed. After the first night there was a daily increase in attendance at Mass and evening instructions, as each man was asked to bring another man, and every nurse another nurse.

### Confessions

In round numbers the following are the consoling facts: away ten years, 100; away seventy years, sixty-seven years, sixty years, one each; away sixty-five years, two; away fifty years, five; away forty years, eight; away thirty years, thirty; away twenty years, thirty; away ten years, twenty-five.

### Strong and Kind

The Chaplain, Father Wm. O'Donnell, had asked for a "hard-boiled" preacher, but it turned out that the soldiers like and appreciate great kindness and appreciation and understanding in their troubles. The preacher was strong in his mission sermons, but very kind in his personal chats and especially in the confessional. Confessions were heard at any hour and in any place that the soldiers desired. The soldiers are sincere, humble, and devoted. Beneath their rough exterior is deep emotion and the genuine spirit of faith, hope, and love in religious matters.

### Chaplain Appreciative

Father O'Donnell liked this as the best of his four missions, because the men went to Communion more frequently, and attended more regularly and in better numbers. He was very encouraging, and would come into the sacristy after a sermon with a hearty word of praise and enthusiasm.

### Other Sermons

Father Gerald Flynn preached Holy Thursday and the Three Hours at Ramona; and on Good Friday night and Easter Sunday at Christ the King, Los Angeles.

## CHINA

### War Situation

On February 17th, the fighting was taking place to the north of the International Settlement from the north station of the Shanghai-Nanking railway through Chapei and on to the Woosung forts at the junction of the Whangpoo and Yangste Rivers. The thunder of the Japanese guns pounding at the Chinese positions could be heard at night, especially when they used their heavy field artillery.

For the first two weeks the Japanese bluejackets and marines did most of the fighting without gaining much ground, for despite aeroplane attacks and bombardment from the naval vessels off Woosung, the Chinese 19th Route Army under General Tsai Tien Kai (mostly Cantonese troops), put up a stubborn defense and refused to budge after they had entrenched themselves in Chapei.

On February 14th nine transports arrived, and on the next day five more, with men and munitions for a big offensive. On February 16th, the Chinese rushed a lot of reinforcements into the lines to be ready to meet the new attack.

Both the International Settlement and the French Concessions are ringed with barricades of barbed wire and sandbags, and are heavily guarded day and night by regular and volunteer troops. The U. S. Fourth Marines are doing their bit, holding quite a large sector of the International Settlement boundary. In the second week of February 1100 officers and men of the 31st Infantry arrived from Manila to take over a piece along the Soochow Creek. Two British regiments, the Lincolnshire and Royal Scottish Fusiliers (in kilts), have been in the lines from the beginning; and two other regiments were on their way. The French Concession is being taken care of by French and Annanite troops and local French volunteer forces. The whole city is in a state of emergency ready for whatever may happen, yet praying that nothing will happen.

The worst part of the city within the Settlement is the Hongkew district, where Sacred Heart Church is located, whose pastor is Father John Piet, S. J. The Japanese took over the policing of this part on account of the number of Japanese residents there. Their presence drew in hundreds of Chinese snipers to pick them off as they stood on guard. The trouble broke out decisively with the Japanese warships bombarding Chapei

and Woosung on the night of January 28. The next night the snipers were busy, firing intermittently, and the Japanese marine patrols answered with volleys of machine-gun fire. The next day, Saturday, was comparatively quiet in the section near the church, but Saturday night the snipers seemed to be more numerous and busier than ever, and between their shots and the machine guns every few minutes, there was not much quiet. Masses on Sunday were poorly attended, owing to the danger and to the difficulty of getting through the Japanese patrols.

The snipers have been pretty well cleaned out of Hongkew, but there is always an element of danger from stray shots and shells coming over from the Chapei front, especially from the anti-aircraft guns of the Chinese. One of these shells exploded in the garden of the Holy Family Convent of the Helpers of the Holy Souls, a few blocks from the church; two fell in the yard of St. Francis Xavier's College of the Brothers of Mary, just across the street from the church (all the Brothers and boys have been moved away), and one shell went through the roof and wall of the sacristy of the church, while several pieces of shrapnel have fallen in the garden.

The Californians are all well and making the best of the present situation that isn't a war, because war has never been declared, nor have diplomatic relations been broken off. How they do it is an oriental mystery.

### Gonzaga College

The second semester began on February 15th. Practically all the boys have returned with a few new ones.

### If

There will be no trouble obtaining pupils, if we can only take care of them. Present accommodations are limited. What marvels we could do with a semi-endowed school and a limitless staff. Mission work, in spite of all that has been done, has hardly touched the 400,000,000.

### Pamphlet

Fr. James Kearney has written a pamphlet entitled, "The Boys Who Wouldn't Die" (Jesuit Mission Press, 5 cents a copy). It is a story of the Chinese Missions.

## ALASKA

### Not Dead

It is a relief to know that both Father Fox and Father Lonneux are alive, although they have suffered very much and are in desperate circumstances.

### Starvation

Under date of January 3, Father Fox wrote in a letter which took two months to reach its destination: A serious condition of affairs has arisen from the recent flood. Many of my flock are absolutely destitute. I am doing what I can to stave off starvation, but my supply will not last. Some of my poor people eat a bit once every two or even three days, just to keep existing. In between they drink tea if they can get any. If not, they confine themselves to hot water.

### Wood

Wood is not to be had at Kashunak now. What little drift wood was on the beach was covered up by the ice or carried away. The only supply for the people is my little store of empty boxes, and the logs of one of my cabins torn down and scattered by the floods. Some of the people are sleeping in the kazga (the native, underground community house); for lack of wood, this place has had no fire all winter; the walls are white with frost.

### Narrow Escape

Father Fox reports that had the storm continued another day he would not be alive to tell the tale. The water was so high that the wind and tide were able to float icebergs in from the Bering Sea which crushed everything before them.

## THEOLOGIANs

### Ordination Retreat

The retreat given by Fr. P. J. Phillips for the Ordinandi began at St. Mary's on March 18th.

### Ordinandi

Those to be ordained this summer: Messrs. Albert Casey, Bart O'Neill, Jos. M. Clark. For the Province of Oregon: Messrs. Baffaro, John Dunne, Endal, Chris. McDonnel, Baud, Forster.



## FATHER LONERGAN

### Addresses on Encyclicals

The Newark Holy Name of New Jersey organized its members so as to give five addresses in 70 different places from December 1931 to April 1932. The subject matter was taken from the encyclicals *Rerum Novarum* and *Quadragesimo Anno*. What concerns the Province is that Fr. Wm. Lonergan instructed the speakers in the subject matter of these addresses.

### Other Work

Fr. Lonergan gave the Tre Ore at the Gesu in Philadelphia. In the beginning of April 285 Seniors of Fordham attended his retreat. On April 22 he gave a week-end retreat at Manresa-on-the-Severn to a dental group. There is to be a talk to the seminarians at St. Mary's, Baltimore. In June there will be the retreat for the Philadelphia priests.

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## THE ETERNAL CITY

### Deaths

A biennist, Fr. Pillilat (France), died January 10 in Rome, because of high blood pressure and a stroke caused by the "shirocko," a hot wind from the south.

A Junior, 19 years old, while returning from the night visit at the Novitiate at Galora, near Frascati, fell over the short railing at the stairs into the shaft below, a distance of 30 feet, and was killed instantly.

### Personals

Fr. Principe of Naples, a fellow theologian of Fr. George Fox, took over the second semester of moral theology in February. From now on Fr. Vermeersch who had taught the whole year, will teach only half a year.

Mr. Brown, who studied at Mt. St. Michael's, will be in the first class to be ordained in the Oriental Rite. Other men have been ordained in this rite, but this will be the first class. Mr. Brown is a nephew of the Father Brown who was a number of years in Alaska, and later died in Spokane. Mr. Brown is studying Russian on the side, and will most likely say his Masses in that language.

### Crash

The part of the Vatican Library which crashed in, killing five workmen and a monsignore who was staying over time to finish some work, was only a small part of the library, an annex containing only modern books which can easily be replaced. It is noteworthy that the Holy Father was in that room, just about an hour before the crash.

### Sermons

The Gregorian philosophers give two sermons a year. Mr. Rossi gave one in Italian, and one in German.

### Canon Law

The old biennium course in Canon Law has been lengthened to three years. Those who began last year need make but two years, but all others must take three years. The third year is devoted to writing the thesis. Moreover an examination in Roman Law is required for the doctorate in Canon Law.

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### Father Mifsud

In Lent Father Mifsud took sick with influenza which kept him in bed for a good week, and interrupted a course of lenter talks which he was giving in Florence to the Catholic English Colony.

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## MT. ST. MICHAEL'S

### Mr. John J. Healy

Mr. John J. Healy took early examinations in April so that he might go to California for a good rest.

### Minor Orders

Messrs. Geo. Dunne and Paul O'Brien received minor orders, April 11th, in the domestic chapel of Gonzaga, so that they might leave early for California. They are bound for China.

### Fr. Donnelly

Fr. William Donnelly will be on the staff at the Gonzaga Summer School, lecturing in Logic and Epistemology.

### Swindle

A. H. Altschul, agent for an (imaginary?) firm in New York City, recently called at one of our houses and secured an order for mops and brooms and wax amounting to about \$15.00. He sent supplies from New York amounting to about \$104.00, plus a large railroad bill. The goods are going back at the expense of the agent.

### An Ex-Novice

Some two months ago it was necessary to let a certain Mr. Greenwood leave Los Gatos where he had begun his noviceship as a Brother. He was given a very generous sum of money by the Rector of the Novitiate. Instead of returning to his home in the east, he stayed in the neighborhood of San Jose. Here he claims that he was robbed. He used his knowledge of the catalogue to beg at Santa Clara and Santa Barbara. In Los Angeles he tried successfully at Loyola High for an alms. He next turned to Loyola U., and a month later applied again to Loyola High, this time to the Rector. He said that he had been told by the Vicar General to beg of Ours. He applied to Very Rev. Fr. Fitzgerald for \$10.50.

## SPIRITUAL EXERCISES

The Fathers of the Irish Province held a conference in Dublin during the Easter Week of 1931 to consider ways and means of giving retreats in the best possible manner. As a result of these discussions a book has been issued entitled "Our Colloquium," which contains the papers read at the

### Deaths in the Provinces of the United States

Mr. Edward P. Lamb, Mar. 22, 1932  
Baltimore, Md. (N. E.)

Fr. Michael McNulty, Mar. 25  
St. Mary's, Kansas (Mo.)

Fr. Lawrence Hanhauser, Mar. 31  
New Orleans, La. (N. O.)

Fr. James O'Regan, Apr. 9  
Milwaukee, Wis. (Mo.)

### Deaths of Relatives

The mother of Bro. Van Dam in  
Holland.

In San Francisco, Mrs. Maria  
Hanley, grandmother of Mr. Wil-  
liam Hanley, S. J.

meeting, and the gist of the com-  
ments by other Fathers.

Even if it were not inexpensive (strong paper covers 4/6, cloth 6/-), it should be in every one of our libraries, for it treats in detail of the major exercises, and discusses tri-duums to the young, renovation tri-duums, laymen's retreats, workmen's retreats, sisters' retreats, priests' retreats, and retreats to Ours. The discussion is not a theoretical one, but is most practical giving ways of doing things which are the result of experience.

"Our Colloquium," Irish Messenger  
Office, 5 Great Denmark St., Dublin.

## DEPRESSION

On his way to Portland in March, Father Piet travelled with an Oblate from Regina, Canada. The Oblate's parish had been so affected by the depression that out of 800 Catholic families, 600 are fed by the city. They have had no crops for three years.